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59.	Simthel Bando-Gowarsa Kanali China-Pipli M.R.	June, 1996	Under Process
60.	Bahera Dwss	June, 1996	Under Process
61.	Lease Renewal to Sukhdev Ashram	Feb., 1996	Under Process
62.	Lease Renewal to Ashram	Jan., 1996	Under Process

[English]

Financing Basic And Cellular Projects

*4. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the representatives of the telecommunication industry met in May, 1996 to discuss the key question of financing basic and cellular projects;

(b) if so, the main points discussed;

(c) and decisions arrived at;

(d) whether the Government have decided not to reverse the steps taken so far to induct the private sector into the telecom infrastructure of the country; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) to (c). The Communication Ministry did not meet the representatives of the Telecom Industry to discuss the matter referred to.

(d) There is no move to reverse the steps taken so far.

(e) Licences and Letters of Intent have been issued for various services.

AIDS

*5. DR. M.P. JAISWAL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether majority of workers are unaware of AIDS;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to make them more and more aware of this menace and the preventive steps to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) and (b). Though no all India survey has been conducted among workers, certain

limited studies have indicated that there is need for creating more awareness about HIV/AIDS and the preventive measures available to combat the disease among workers.

(c) The Confederation of Indian Industries have recently been given a project for developing/ implementing a comprehensive programme on prevention and control of HIV/AIDS at the work places of workers. A package and campaign material have been developed, based on which the programme is being conducted in various industries. Apart from this, various media units of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting are disseminating HIV/AIDS messages including its prevention and control among different strata of society.

[Translation]

Lokpal Bill

*6. SHRI LALIT ORAON :
SHRI RUPCHAND PAL :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to introduce Lokpal Bill in the Parliament with a view to bring the Prime Minister, all Central Ministers and people's representatives into the ambit of this Bill; and

(b) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a) and (b). Early introduction of Lok Pal Bill is under active consideration of the Government.

[English]

Tehri Hydro Project

*7. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO :
SHRI SUDHIR GIRI :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have any understanding with noted environmentalist Shri Sunderlal Bahuguna in breaking of his fast, to shut